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On page 1, cancel the title above line 3, and insert the following  
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--TITLE

**INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ARRANGEMENT AND METHOD FOR THE  
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**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

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The present invention relates to an integrated circuit arrangement  
and method for the manufacture thereof.--;  
in line 6, cancel "arrangement" substitute --arrangements-- therefor;  
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